

Teen birth FACTS you need to know...

1) Oklahoma's teen birth numbers and rates have shown a major decline in the last five years:

- The annual number of teen births has decreased by over 1,600 between 2010 (6,490 births) and 2014 (4,850 births).
- The teen birth rate decreased by 25% (ages 15-19).

2) Oklahoma communities and tribes have secured over \$5 million in Federal funding per year since 2010 to provide effective prevention programs for youth at higher risk of STIs, teen pregnancy and victimization. Oklahoma has provided no state funding.

- Groups with Federal and private funding to provide programs include the Cherokee Nation, Choctaw Nation, Community Service Council/Tulsa, Iowa Tribe, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Oklahoma City-County Health Department, Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy, Tulsa Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, Tulsa Health Department, Youth Services of Tulsa.

3) Rural and urban counties both show DRAMATIC decreases in teen birth numbers and rates from 2010-2014, due to community and tribal teen pregnancy prevention efforts:

- **Cherokee** County's teen birth numbers dropped by **46%**, its rate by **44%**.
- **Jackson** County's teen birth numbers dropped by **40%**, its rate by **24%**.
- **Logan** County's teen birth numbers dropped by **31%**, its rate by **37%**.
- **McCurtain** County's teen birth numbers dropped by **32%**, its rate by **27%**.
- **Oklahoma** County's teen birth numbers dropped by **29%**, its rate by **27%**.
- **Tulsa** County's teen birth numbers dropped by **28%**, its rate by **25%**.

4) It IS working! Oklahoma communities and tribes, with the help of Federal funding, local foundations and a wide range of public and private sector partnerships, are *dramatically reducing* our teen birth rates and numbers.